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- In late March 1951, the Kabelwerk Oberspree in Berlin-Oberschoenewelde received a delivery of 51,316 kg of recast lead in ingots valued at 10,776.36 DM East from the ICO firm* in Giessen.
- 2. In the accounting books of DAHA in Berlin the following firms were listed as having received money orders for iron and steel deliveries:
 - a. Eisen-und Metall A.G., 33 Wielandstrasse, Berlin-Charlottenburg;
 - b. Horbach und Schmitz GmbH, 33 49 Ziegrastrasse, Berlin-Neukoelln;
 - c. Max Cochius CmbH, 1 9 Ziegrastrasse, Berlin-Neukoelln;
 - d. Alfred Urbscheit, Edelstahl CmbH, 51 Quitzow Strasse, Berlin NW 21;
 - e. Gebrueder Boehler & Company, A.G., 55 Kurfürstenstrasse, Berlin W 35;
 - f. Gusstahl-Handelsgesellschaft mbH, 148-149 Germania Strasse, Berlin-Tempelhof;
 - g. Otto R. Krause, Duesseldorf; branch office: 3 Branitzer Pl., Berlin-Charlottenburg;
 - h. Werner Scheidt & Co., 33 Lyck-Allee, Berlin-Charlottenburg;
 - i. Otto Wolff, 17 Volkmarstrasse, Berlin-Tempelhof;
 - j. Ravené & Co., GmbH, 39 40 Oberlandstrasse, Berlin-Tempelhof;
 - k. Alfred Schulz, 11 Ritterstrasse, Berlin S# 68;
 - 1. De Haas und Sohn GmbH, 41 Berliner Strasse, Berlin-Charlottenburg;
 - m. WEAG-Hessen GmbH, Frankfurt/Main; branch office Berlin (Lead and Copper), 3 Febrbelliner Platz, Berlin-Wilmersdorf;
 - n. Schwelmer Eisenwerk, Schwelm Westphalia (K 52/F 69); branch office Berlin, 12 Mainzer Strasse, Berlin-Wilmersdorf.

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- 3. The following firms received money orders for other deliveries according to the accounting books of DAHA:
 - a. "Alweko" (abH, at 3 Februalliner Flats, Berlin-Wilmersdorf; for delivery of sizable quantities of knives, files and office equipment to GSCW (Red Army supply agencies);
 - Max Teintze, at 3 Grillparserstrasse, Berlin-Steglits; for delivery of mice and splitting (Glimmer und Splittings) for the mining industry;
 - c. AGA Expert-Import A. Agadjansadeh, 69 Fasanenstrasse, Berlin W 15; for delivery of industrial diamonds;
 - d. Exportijon Cabil, at 190 Brunnenstrasse, Berlin N 56; for diverse deliveries;
 - e. C. Safianidis & Co. Gabil, at 9 Bolivar Albee, Berlin-Charlottenburg; for diverse deliveries;
 - f. Gewele Einkaufe u. Gresshandelsgesellschaft, & Bayreuther Strasse, Berlin W 30; for mercury and copper;
 - g. G. Rau NG., Pforsheim (L 49/R 73); for thermo and bimetal.
 - h. Gebrusder Wuennenberg, Duesseldorf"; for sheet brass and brass tubes;
 - i. Eisen und Metall A.G., Essen"; for silicon and ferrotitanium;
 - j. Gard Schleider, Bremen"; for sinc and copper.
 - k. Suedhandel GmbH, Munich"; for tin, lead, zinc copper, cadmium;
 - 1. Albert Schneider, Hamburg"; for welding electrodes;
 - m. Buenger and Co, Hamburg, for calcium fluoride;
 - n. Kaufmann, Hamburg"; for calcium fluoride;
 - o. Amag-Hilpert-Pegnitzhuette AG: Mirnberg ; for centrifugal pumps, and special valves.
- 4. All of the firms mentioned have tusiness connections with DAHA and have either made deliveries or concluded contracts. The type of business transaction made is not indicated in the financial accounts.
- 5. The following persons play prominent roles in West-East trade:
 - Dr. Bernhard Heltz, living at 40 Gutzmenn Strasse, Berlin-Zehlendorf, telephone No 84-76-21. Until 1950, Heltz was director of DAHA-Ost, Barter Trade Division. After resigning from this post, he became the Berlin representative of the Klamp firm" in Burgdorf near Hannover. Heitz handles all business transactions which this firm conducts with the East; he works through the Gesellschaft fuer Innerdeutschen Handel (Intra-German Trade Agency) (IDH) at 46 Behrenstrasse, Berlin W 8 and 24 Franzossische Strasse and through DAHA. Extensive barter transactions and other similar business arrangements in the amount of 200,000 DM East have been made. transactions the Klamp firm receives mainly toys, such as dolls and sets of building blocks for children and paper goods including stationery, carnival articles and paper decorations, all at very favorable exchange rates. In return, the Russian Zone of Germany currently receives various items of which it is in critical need. Because of his good connections with the Russian Zone economic agencies, which date from the time when he was director of DAHA-Ost, Dr. Heitz is in a position to conclude his business agreements promptly and at very favorable terms. This fact is known in Western German business circles. Consequently Dr. Heits is often requested by Western firms to use his good offices to assist in the conclusion of negotiations and contracts that have become involved in complications. The Mamp firm deals with the Merkur Bank in Hannover.

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b. Kruse, (fnu), formerly chief of the Iron and Steel Division of the Retal Lepartment of DAHA at 62 Luisensprasse, Berlin NW 7, became the representative of the Eisen und Letall A.G. in Berlin-Charlottenburg and as such, is in charge of business contracts for iron and steel deliveries to the East. Truse frequently visits the Ministry for Foreign and Domestic German Trade on Leipziger Strasse to discuss the best possibilities for importing shipments of iron and steel into the Russian Zone. There is a standing order that no former employee of the Ministry of Trade may enter the premises of this Ministry again. This regulation has been passed in order to exclude the possibility of irregular business transactions. In conferences of the various departments of DAHA, it was pointed out confidentially that this order does not apply to Kruse and Dr. Leitz.

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